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FM AMEMBASSY BANGUI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6534

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, CT

SUBJECT: CAR DEBTS

REF: USUN 6989

1. ALTHOUGH I HAVE NOT SEEN REUTERS DISPATCH IN QUESTION SUMMARY CONTAINED REFTTEL INDICATES TO US THAT IT IS BASED ON CIRCULAR LETTER FROM CAR PRESIDENT BOKASSA TO HIS AMBASSADORS AND TO ALL RESIDENT EMBASSIES IN CAR STATING THAT GOCAR DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL ABROAD ARE NOT TO CONTRACT OFFICIAL OR PERSONAL DEBTS AND THAT UNDER NO CONDITION SHOULD HOST COUNTRY INSTITUTIONS EXTEND CREDIT TO CENTRAL AFRICAN DIPLOMATS. THIS NEW POLICY APPARENTLY GREW OUT OF PRESIDENT'S DISPLEASURE WITH HIS AMBASSADOR TO SWITZERLAND WHO HE PUBLICLY CASTIGATED FOR INCURRING DEBTS TOTALLING 13 MILLION FRANCS CFA WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL. AMBASSADOR BOMBA AND ALL HIS STAFF WERE RELIEVED OF THEIR POSITIONS (REPORTED BANGUI A-092 NOTAL).

2. OUR PRESENT ASSESSMENT IS THAT POSITION TAKEN IN ADVERTISEMENT DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN LEGITIMATE MISSION DEBTS SUCH AS THOSE PRESENTLY OUTSTANDING OF CAR MISSION NEW YORK WILL NOT BE PAID. HOWEVER, EMBASSY WILL SEEK APPOINTMENT WITH APPROPRIATE MINISTRY FOR CLARIFICATION. ALSO PLAN TO RAISE MATTER WITH CAR AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO

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WASHINGTON CHRISTOPHE MAIDOU WHEN HE CALLS IN NEXT

WEEK BEFORE HIS SCHEDULED DEPARTURE FOR POST.

3. DECON ON RECEIPT.
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